

**G R A M M A R**

**Complete the article by filling in the gaps with the proper verb form or verb tense. Write your answers in the spaces below the article. Example: (00) *lived***

**The Darling of Georgian Society**

As her former home reopens following major restoration work, we tell the story of Henrietta Howard, Countess of Suffolk, who defied the odds to become one of the most influential women in Georgian Britain.

A vision in white on the banks of the River Thames, Marble Hill is one of the last remaining Palladian villas of its ilk and gives some clue to the status of its original owner, Henrietta Howard, Countess of Suffolk, who –00– (live) here in some capacity from the 1720s until her death in 1767.

–01– (look) at the elegant villa, all classical design and set amid 66 acres of Arcadian riverside parkland in Twickenham, west London, you –02– (forgive, might) for thinking Henrietta lived a privileged life, but any privilege she enjoyed –03– (win, hard).

If you –04– (listen, be) to the rumours, then you might dismiss Henrietta Howard as little more than mistress to the king, who used her skills of seduction –05– (rise) through the ranks, but that –06– (do) her a serious injustice and underplaying the restrictions and pressures placed on a woman of her time.

Reopening earlier this year following major restoration work by English Heritage, a new interpretation at Marble Hill hopes to reframe Henrietta's story –07– (show) that she was far more than simply the king's mistress. The house –08– (explore) Henrietta's abusive first marriage, the role deafness and poor health played in her life, and her rise through the ranks of Georgian society by –09– (captivate) some of the most well-connected people of the time.

Though born into a respectable and titled family, following the death of her father in a duel when she was just eight years old, and the death of her mother four years later, Henrietta found herself an orphan aged just 12.

Facing mounting debts, she agreed to marry Charles Howard, a nobleman, in 1706 –10– (secure) her future.

However, the marriage was not good: Charles was reportedly an ill-tempered and violent husband who squandered what little money the couple –11– (have). One contemporary of theirs wrote: 'Thus they loved, thus they married, and thus they hated each other for the rest of their lives'.

However, –12– (dig) herself out of debt once, Henrietta was not about to give up now. She managed to raise enough funds to travel to the Hannoverian court to petition them –13– (give) her a role when they inevitably inherited the throne.

Her plan worked and in 1714, when the Elector of Hannover came to the British throne as King George I, he made Charles his Groom of the Bedchamber, while Henrietta –14– (make) Woman of the Bedchamber to Caroline of Ansbach, wife of his son, the Prince of Wales, therefore –15– (ensure) a certain amount of financial security.

*(Adapted from Discover Britain, 2022, pp. 34-37)*

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**Total Points: ...../15pts**

## V O C A B U L A R Y

Read the article below. Use the word given in CAPITALS at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

## Historic Villages – Warkworth

A medieval village –00– within a half-mile loop of the **CLOSE** 00 .....enclosed.....  
Coquet, Warkworth is dominated by the Norman castle that stands on a hill to the south.

–01– to the Scottish border and the influence of **PROXIMAL** 01 .....  
–02– families have ensured it a rich history of wars, **POWER** 02 .....  
rebellions, and even a place in –03– drama. **SHAKESPEARE** 03 .....

Human occupation here dates from Neolithic times.  
Cup-and-ring carvings can be seen on the crags above the –04–. In 737 AD, a wooden church was built at the **BANK** 04 .....  
–05– end of the village. The church was destroyed during **NORTH** 05 .....  
a –06– Viking raid in 875 AD and rebuilt in stone. **DENMARK** 06 .....

–07– construction of the present church began in 1174, **MEAL** 07 .....  
adding other parts later. The south aisle and –08– porch **ENTRY** 08 .....  
were added in the 15<sup>th</sup> century.

In 1174, King William the Lion of Scotland burned the village and killed 300 inhabitants who had sought –09– in the church. **REFUGEE** 09 .....  
During the 1715 Jacobite rising, Scottish forces occupied Warkworth and, following –10– in the church, proclaimed the Old **PRAY** 10 .....  
Pretender, James Edward Stuart, King James III of England.

The first castle was –11– built of wood. Warworth was **PROBABLE** 11 .....  
acquired by the Percy family, who dominated Northumbrian history for five hundred years. This was a period of political turbulences and during the Wars of Roses, the Percys fought on the winning side, though sometimes they supported the –12–, with predictable consequences. **LOSE** 12 .....

Henry Percy and his father were –13– in deposing Richard II **INSTRUMENT** 13 .....  
and installing Henry IV on the throne. When he lost the Battle of Otterburn, he was taken –14– and held for ransom. Losing **PRISON** 14 .....  
later battles, the Percys forfeited Warkworth, though it was later restored to the family.

Warworth village and its –15– have excellent **ENVIRONMENT** 15 .....

Entering the village from the south, the Sun Hotel is directly opposite the castle. This is a recently refurbished coaching inn with 16 rooms ranging from single to –16– suites, and an adjoining **BRIDE** 16 .....  
–17– and country pub. **STEAK** 17 .....

*The Hermit of Warkworth* by Dr Thomas Percy is a ballad based on the legend of Sir Bertram, who, following a romantic but –18– love story, **TRAGEDY** 18 .....

becomes the hermit of the title. *The Hermitage* is one of a series of crime novels set in Northumberland featuring the detective DCI Ryan, which begins with an apparently –19– murder when a body is found in the **MOTIVE** 19 .....  
Hermitage. The –20– takes place between Warkworth **ACT** 20 .....

and Florence, Italy. (Adapted from *Discover Britain, 2022, pp. 61-62*).

Total Points: ...../10pts

## R E A D I N G C O M P R E H E N S I O N

Read the article about the Channel Islands. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) above the article best fits into each of the numbered gaps in the article. There are three extra sentences.

## Isles of Wonder

- A which looks over the island's only natural harbour
- B which will probably be one of the smallest
- C to find a passion and gain harmony
- D nothing moves very fast on the island
- E travel between the islands was permitted
- F that you are not in France
- G be they walking trails or boat trips
- H that feel unmistakably French
- I looking for somewhere quieter
- J to protect Alderney's bird population
- K being drawn to the peace of the island
- L which practically covers Alderney in its entirety
- M which has queues out the door every morning

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The Channel Islands are fringed with beautiful beaches, lapped by clear waters, teeming with wildlife, and rich in history, and yet relatively under-visited. Sitting prettily on a rock just 10km from France, the island of Alderney is an easy 40-minute flight from Southampton. The northernmost of the inhabited Channel Islands, an archipelago in the English Channel made up of two British Crown Dependencies, which also includes Jersey, Guernsey, Sark and Herm, Alderney is the third largest of the isles.

As you begin your descent into the airport, –01– you'll ever visit, Alderney's perfect white-sand coves, impossibly blue waters, sea bird-populated cliffs, and quaint fishermen's houses will warmly welcome you to the island.

The people of Alderney are incredibly proud of their home, and rightly so. With a population of just over 2,000, everyone pretty much knows everyone, and everyone has their purpose, whether it be running the bike-hire shop, working with the wildlife trust –02–, farming to produce Alderney's famous creamy milk, or working on one of the fishing boats down in the harbour.

It is clear, however, from the number of gift shops, hotels, bed and breakfasts, and the activities on offer – –03– – that the island thrives off its tourism.

Much of this reason comes from closer travellers than you'd expect. During the pandemic, although the Channel Islands were on lockdown, –04– and residents of the two larger islands, Guernsey and Jersey, set about exploring the smaller islands in the archipelago. Many of them visited Alderney for the very first time and, –05– and its beauty, bought holiday homes with fabulous sea views. Once a Channel Islander, always a Channel Islander, it seems.

With a speed limit of just 35mph, and no enforced seat-belt law, –06–, and the pace of life matches that. In peak season, the beaches are populated but never packed, and the island's main town, St Anne, –07–, is bustling during the day even if in the evening activity is confined to one or two pubs and restaurants on the town's main street, Victoria Street.

St Anne is wonderfully pretty, with winding cobbled streets –08– – not surprising since France is just a few kilometres away. You are aware –09–, however, thanks to the number of undeniably British tearooms that line Victoria Street.

During the day, the most popular shop in town is the bike shop, Cycle & Surf, –10–. It's worth getting early to the queue, or better still book in advance. Using bikes is the easiest way to explore the 10 miles of paved roads and many more miles of pathways that snake their way around the island.

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**Total points: ...../10pts**

Participant Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Olympiáda v anglickom jazyku, 33. ročník, okresné kolo 2022/2023, kategória 2C2 – úlohy**

**PROGRESSIVE TESTING – phrasal verbs with BRING**

**Write down phrasal verbs with BRING and explain their meaning. You will score 1 point for each correct example.**

*For example:*

bring up = to look after a child until he or she becomes an adult

L I S T E N I N G   C O M P R E H E N S I O N

You will hear Elisabeth McGovern talk about her life. For statements 01-08 that summarise its different aspects, match texts A-E you will hear. Three statements do not directly match the texts. Write X instead of a number for these. You will score five points.

- 01 I love going to America, but feel very rooted in the UK. ....
- 02 It was a transition when my daughters left home. ....
- 03 We met through a mutual friend in New York. ....
- 04 As a family, our life is really simple. ....
- 05 I naturally have fairly healthy habits ....
- 06 What mostly interested me was the impact that fame had on her. ....
- 07 The key to our long-lasting love is a sense of humour. ....
- 08 There are stumbling blocks to working with your partner. ....

Total points: \_\_\_\_\_/5